

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE AUGUST 22, 1985FULL NAME RICHARD AUGUSTUS ALLISE

SOCIAL SECURITY

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(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS [REDACTED]CITY PROCTORVILLE STATE OHIO ZIP CODE 45669DATE OF BIRTH 12-19-46 (This is important and should be exact)APPROXIMATE AGE 39 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)RELIGION ROMAN CATHOLICNATIONALITY AMERICANOCCUPATION U.S. POSTAL WORKEREDUCATION 2 YEARS COLLEGE MARSHALL UNIVERSITYWEIGHT 140 HEIGHT 5' 10 1/2 RACE CAUCASIANCOLOR OF HAIR BLACK COLOR OF EYES BLACK OR DARK BROWNOUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS SURGICAL SCAR 2" RIGHT SHOULDERMARRIED OR SINGLE MARRIED CHILDREN [REDACTED]

(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

NAME OF SPOUSE [REDACTED]

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

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14	HUNTINGTON	W.V.	SM	2/71	8/11/82
99	HUNTINGTON	W.V.	SM	10/31/82	7/25/85 SUSPENDED

SPECIAL RECOGNITION DISTRICT AWARD OF MERIT SILVER BEAVER

SUSPENDED OR DENIED REGISTRATION FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

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FOUND GUILTY ON SEVERAL CHARGES OF SEXUAL ABUSE OF BOY SCOUTS
SENTENCED TO PRISON 8-25 YEARS. - COMPLETE REPORT ATTACHED

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION AND LIST ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (STATE ONLY KNOWN FACTS, NOT RUMOR, CONJECTURE OR SPECULATION):

DOCUMENTS FORWARDED PREVIOUSLY

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JOSEPH L. ANGLIM

Signed

Robert H. McQuinn

SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council TEI-STATE AREA # 672

July 15, 1985

Mr. Robert H. McGinnis
Scout Executive
Tri-State Area Council, No. 672

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Bob:

Thank you for your help in giving us information concerning the registration of Richard Aluise. This material is most helpful to us, and will enable us to refuse registration should an attempt be made at a later time.

We are enclosing a Confidential Record Sheet which we would like for you to complete, so that we have the information necessary to identify Mr. Aluise, should he try to register in some other location. Please do this as carefully as possible so that we have all necessary information for identification.

We want to thank you again for your help in the detailed information which has been sent. If you secure any other information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

READY FOR FILE

JUL 15 1985

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service

CARMEN FREEMAN

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Enclosure

cc: Robert C. Birkemeier, Regional Director, East Central Region
Willis R. Snyder, Area Director, East Central Region

Area man gets 8-25

in sexual abuse case

By JAMES McMILLER

Of The Herald-Dispatch staff
A former scoutmaster of a Huntington Boy Scout troop was sentenced to 25 years in prison for sexual abuse of a minor.

Richard A. Aluise, 39, of Huntington, was sentenced to 25 years in prison for sexual abuse of a minor. Aluise was sentenced to 25 years in prison for sexual abuse of a minor.

All I'm asking for is your mercy," Aluise solemnly asked Judge Dan O'Hanlon prior to being sentenced.

"I admit my guilt. I've sought help. I have family and would like to be there to help them," Aluise appealed to the judge as the defendant's wife and their four young children sat among 24 people who

attended the hearing.

But after listening to the plea, O'Hanlon began listing his sentencing options and explained how he reached his decision.

"You are a true pedophile," O'Hanlon told Aluise, referring to a person who has sexual desires toward children.

O'Hanlon said he studied in detail psychiatric reports of Aluise's life and accused the defendant of purposely placing himself in roles, such as scoutmaster and athletic coach, to satisfy his desires.

Aluise, formerly of Barboursville, was arrested last Oct. 4 on warrants obtained by the state police and the youth and sex division of the Huntington Police Department.

The warrants were based on complaints that involved reported incidents of sexual abuse and sexual assault during June 1984 at Camp

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Abuse

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Arrowhead near Ona. At the time of the incidents, Aluise was scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 99 at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church.

O'Hanlon said that based on polygraph reports and psychiatric examinations, Aluise sexually abused or sexually molested about 10 scouts over several years.

Few pedophiles who exhibit such behavior over a long period of time ever overcome such sexual impulses, the judge told Aluise. "While you're free, every young boy in our community is at risk," the judge said.

He then gave Aluise the maximum prison sentence for each offense — one to five years for each sexual abuse charge and five to 10 years on the sexual assault, all to be served consecutively.

"And may God have mercy on your soul," O'Hanlon concluded.

As the sentence was handed down, Mrs. Aluise became distraught in the courtroom and later screamed at parents who attended the hearing. "How can they do this to us?" she asked.

During the hearing, defense counsel asked that Aluise not be sent to prison and requested that instead he be placed in a treatment program.

"I think the man needs treatment and it's the kind you don't receive in our penal institutions," said William B. Webb, executive director and a psychotherapist at Holistic Health Center Inc. Webb has treated Aluise.

A Cabell County grand jury indicted Aluise last November, charging him with three counts of first-degree sexual abuse and one count of first-degree sexual assault. Through a plea agreement, the state allowed Aluise to plea guilty to the sexual abuse offenses and the reduced sexual assault charge.

After pleading guilty last April, Aluise was ordered to undergo a 60-day evaluation at Huttonsville Correctional Center.

Aluise was taken to the Cabell County Jail after yesterday's hearing to immediately begin serving his sentences.

October 2, 1985

Mr. Robert H. McGinnis
Scout Executive
Tri-State Area Council, No. 672

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Richard Aluise

Dear Bob:

Thank you for the detailed information concerning the above Scouter. We have reviewed this case with our Attorney and have now placed this man permanently on the Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service

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cc: East Central Region

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Tri-State Area Council, No. 672, Boy Scouts of America

Huntington, West Virginia 25701



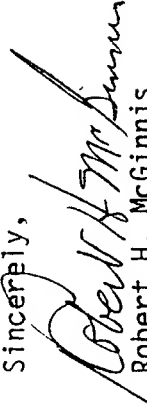
Mr. Paul Ernst
Registration Service
National Office, BSA

Irving, TX 75038-3096

Dear Paul:

Last fall a Scoutmaster in our Council was arrested on charges of sexual abuse. Last week he pled guilty to the charges. I have enclosed a copy of the file record and news clippings regarding this case.

Sincerely,


Robert H. McGinnis
Scout Executive

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May 8, 1985



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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL FILE - RICHARD ALUISE

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 10

Assistant Scoutmaster, Jim Butcher of Troop 99, Our Lady of Fatima Church, telephoned Council staff member Jack Brun and reported that one or two Scouts in the troop had reported incidents of sexual abuse involving Scoutmaster Richard Aluise indicating the parents intended to bring criminal charges.

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17

Council President Charles Bagley, III, an attorney, received a telephone call from the Cabell County prosecutor's office indicating Mr. Aluise had been charged. Mr. Bagley and I kept in communication with each other on the matter daily. I telephone Barclay Rollas in the National Office for advice, anticipating contact from the news media. I also discussed implementing "standards of leadership" action with Paul Ernst of Registration Service. Later in the week I received calls from Harold Freizel of Risk Management and Joe Kessler of Catholic Relationships.

Rumors regarding the incident spread throughout the community and I was asked about it several times each day.

I learned the Troop 99 committee had appointed the assistant leaders to handle all meetings and activities. I was also told Mr. Aluise had resigned his responsibility as a soccer coach.

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 24

When it became apparent that the County Prosecutor's office did indeed have a case with substance against Mr. Aluise, I had the recommended letter from the "Standards for Leadership" typed on September 25. President Bagley signed it two days later. We discussed the advisability of hand delivery, however, Mr. Bagley elected to send it by mail. (Copy attached.)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4

Mr. Aluise was arrested. See attached news clipping dated October 5.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5

Jim DeBord, Chairman of Troop 99 committee came to the office to see me to ascertain the Council's position regarding the alleged incidents. I informed him the Council would be most supportive of the church's action to select new leadership continue the proud tradition of Troop 99. He invited me to attend a troop committee meeting at his home Monday, October 8 at 7 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9

I did not attend troop committee meeting, however, I did phone the committee chairman and he informed me the head of the chartered organization, Father Frederico, and the troop committee had met and selected a new Scoutmaster.

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That afternoon I phoned Paul Farrell, Assistant County Prosecutor, and asked him the status of the case. He informed me that a city detective and state trooper were continuing the investigation and that two of the boys whose parents had brought charges had been given polygraph exams which affirmed positive. He indicated that the nature of the offenses included oral sex and several other abuses. He said although the preliminary hearing was set for Tuesday, October 16, he expected Mr. Aluise's attorney to seek a continuance.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11 - see attached news clipping.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17 - see attached news clipping.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18

I personally visited Father Frederico to assure good Council/sponsor relationships with Our Lady of Fatima Church and be certain there was direct communication "pro to pro". I gave him a copy of the letter which had been sent to Mr. Aluise by President Bagley.



Tri-State Area Council, No. 672, Boy Scouts of America

September 25, 1984

Mr. Richard Aluise

Barboursville, WV 25504

Dear Mr. Aluise:

After careful review, we have decided that your registration with the Boy Scouts of America should be suspended. We are therefore compelled to request that you sever any relations that you may have with the Boy Scouts of America.

You should understand that BSA leadership registration is a privilege and is not automatically granted to everyone who applies. We reserve the right to suspend registration whenever there is a concern that an individual may not measure up to the high standards of leadership which the BSA seeks to provide for American youth.

If you wish to have this decision reviewed, please write to me, explaining your version of the facts supporting your claim that your registration as a BSA leader should be granted or reinstated.

Sincerely yours,

Charles F. Bagley III
Charles F. Bagley, III
President

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Briefly

Cabell County resident arrested

A Cabell County man was arrested yesterday on two counts of first-degree sexual abuse and one count of first-degree sexual assault in connection with a reported incident last June at Camp Arrowhead near Ona. Prosecutor John L. Cummings said.

The suspect, identified as Richard Aluise, 37, of 7 Meacham Drive, was arrested on warrants obtained by state police and the youth and sex division of the Huntington Police Department, Cummings said.

The warrants are based upon complaints received by state police and the youth and sex division concerning alleged incidents involving two juveniles, aged 11 and 14, Cummings said.

At the time of the alleged incidents, Aluise was scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 99 at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church, Cummings said. The juveniles were members of the troop, he added.

Aluise was taken before Magistrate Alvie Qualls about 7:45 p.m. and released on \$20,000 bond, the magistrate said.

Arraignment is scheduled for 9 a.m. Tuesday, Qualls said.

Trooper Dennis Foreman and Sgt. Darrell Black, commander of the youth and sex division, are heading the investigation, which is continuing, Cummings said.

"The scope of the case is more than just these three warrants," Cummings said. He declined further comment.

Briefly

Plea of Innocence entered

An innocent plea has been entered in Cabell County Magistrate Court on behalf of a county resident accused of two counts of first-degree sexual abuse and one count of first-degree sexual assault in connection with a reported incident last June at Camp Arrowhead near Ona.

Richard Aluise, 37, of 7 Meacham Drive was arrested last week on warrants obtained by state police and the youth and sex division of the Huntington Police Department concerning alleged incidents involving two juveniles, aged 11 and 14.

Aluise's lawyer, John Hankins, entered his client's innocent plea Tuesday before Magistrate John Ray Rice. A preliminary hearing for Aluise is scheduled for 10 a.m. next Tuesday.

At the time of the alleged incidents, Aluise was scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 99 of which the juveniles reportedly were members. Prosecutor John L. Cummings has said.

Aluise remains free on \$20,000 bond.

Briefly

Sexual abuse hearing postponed

A preliminary hearing was continued yesterday in Cabell County Magistrate Court for a county resident accused of two counts of first-degree sexual abuse and one count of first-degree sexual assault in connection with a reported incident last June at Camp Arrowhead near Ona.

Court proceedings for Richard Aluise, 37, of 7 Meacham Drive have been postponed until Nov. 13, said Magistrate William R. "Bob" Baker. Prosecutor John L. Cummings said the hearing was delayed because a state witness wasn't able to attend.

Ex-scoutmaster pleads guilty to sexual abuse

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. (AP)—A former scoutmaster who admitted playing strip poker with three Boy Scouts and assaulting a fourth has pleaded guilty to three counts of first-degree sexual abuse and one count of second-degree sexual assault.

Richard Aluise, 37, entered guilty pleas Friday, Cabell County Circuit Judge Dan O'Hanlon then ordered Aluise to the Huttonsville Correctional Center for a 60-day evaluation prior to sentencing.

Asked if he were guilty of the charges, Aluise, formerly of Barboursville and now of Chesapeake, Ohio, said, "Yes sir."

Aluise said he played strip poker with three Scouts last summer while camping at Camp Arrowhead near Ona. He said he also placed his mouth on the body of another boy.

At the time of the incidents, Aluise was Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 99 at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church. He was arrested last October on warrants obtained by the state police and the youth and sex division of the Huntington Police Department.

Aluise must report to the Cabell County Jail on May 8, to be transported to Huttonsville. Aluise, who said he is currently seeing a psychiatrist, faces a maximum sentence of 10-to-20 years for sexual assault and one-to-five years on each of the sexual abuse charges, plus a possible \$20,000 in fines.

As part of a plea agreement, Cabell County Prosecutor John Cummings said he has agreed not to prosecute Aluise on other charges. Cummings said he also has promised to remain silent on what sentence he believes the defendant would receive.

Man enters guilty plea to sex charges

The Herald-Dispatch—Huntington, W. Va., Saturday, April 27, 1985

A former scoutmaster pleaded guilty yesterday in Cabell County Circuit Court to three counts of first-degree sexual abuse and one count of second-degree sexual assault.

In a hearing before Judge Dan O'Hanlon, Richard A. Aluise, 37, formerly of Barboursville, said that he played strip poker with three Boy Scouts and there was "a minimal amount of touching," and that he placed his mouth on the body of one. Asked by O'Hanlon if he was guilty of the charges, Aluise replied, "Yes, sir."

First-degree sexual abuse carries a penalty of one to five years in prison or a maximum fine of \$10,000 and Second-degree sexual assault carries a maximum fine of \$10,000 and a penalty of one to five years in prison.

He was arrested last Oct. 4 by city and state police on warrants based on complaints received by authorities about alleged incidents of sexual abuse and assault last June at Camp Arrowhead near Ona, W. Va. Aluise

was a scoutmaster of a local troop at the time.

O'Hanlon ordered Aluise to report to the Cabell County Jail on May 8 and be taken to Huttonsville Correctional Center the next day for a 60-day evaluation. Sentencing will be set once the evaluation is completed.

Aluise, who remains free on bond, told O'Hanlon he's seeing a psychiatrist, according to a probation officer. Aluise now lives in Chesapeake, according to a probation officer. "I think that the plea is in the best interests of justice as far as all parties are concerned," Cummings told O'Hanlon.

Andrew S. Nason, one of Aluise's three attorneys, also told O'Hanlon that he felt the plea was in his client's best interest.

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NEWS ALERT

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Date: Sept. 25, 1984
Time: 9:45 a.m.

The following information was received from the source indicated and may have possible news or other confidential implications. Details to follow, if required.

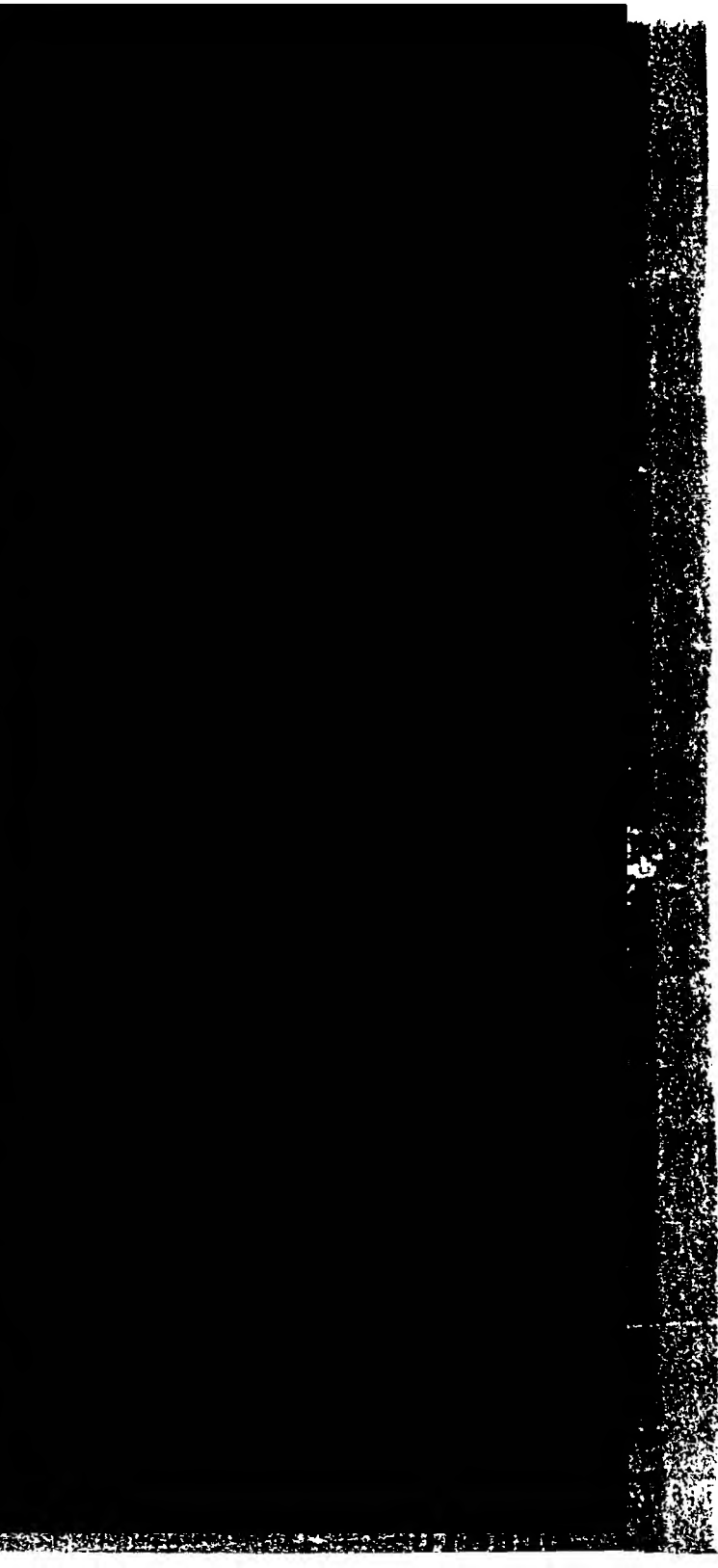
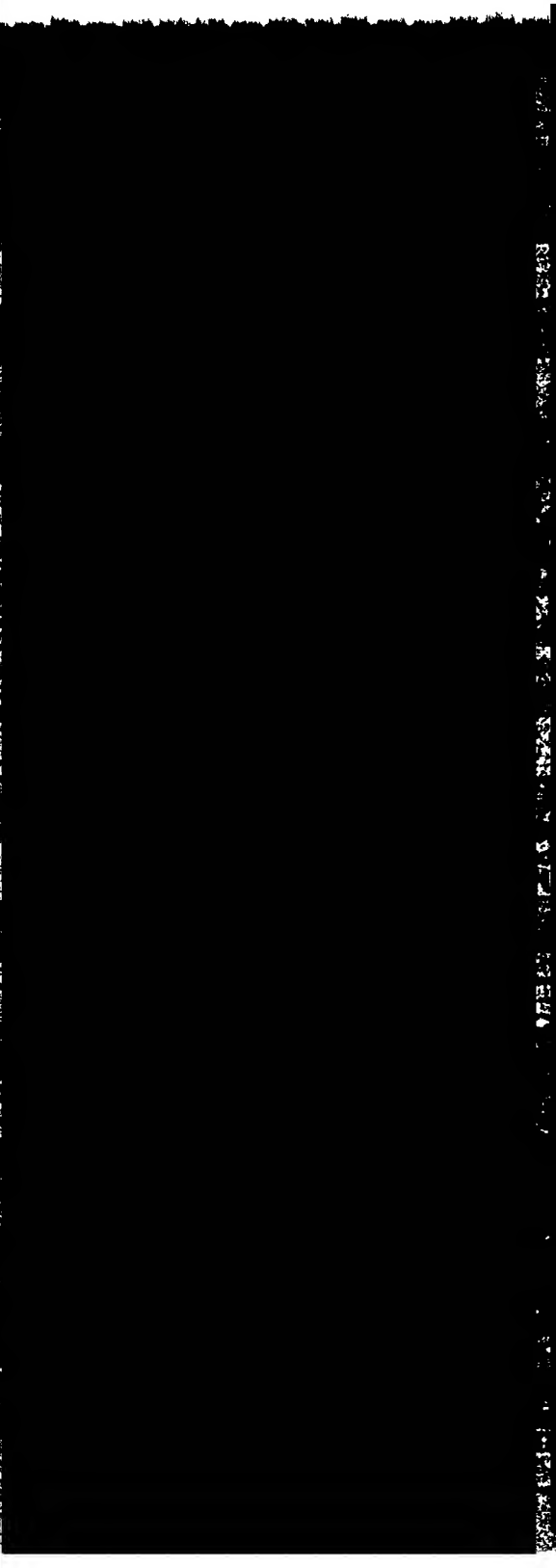
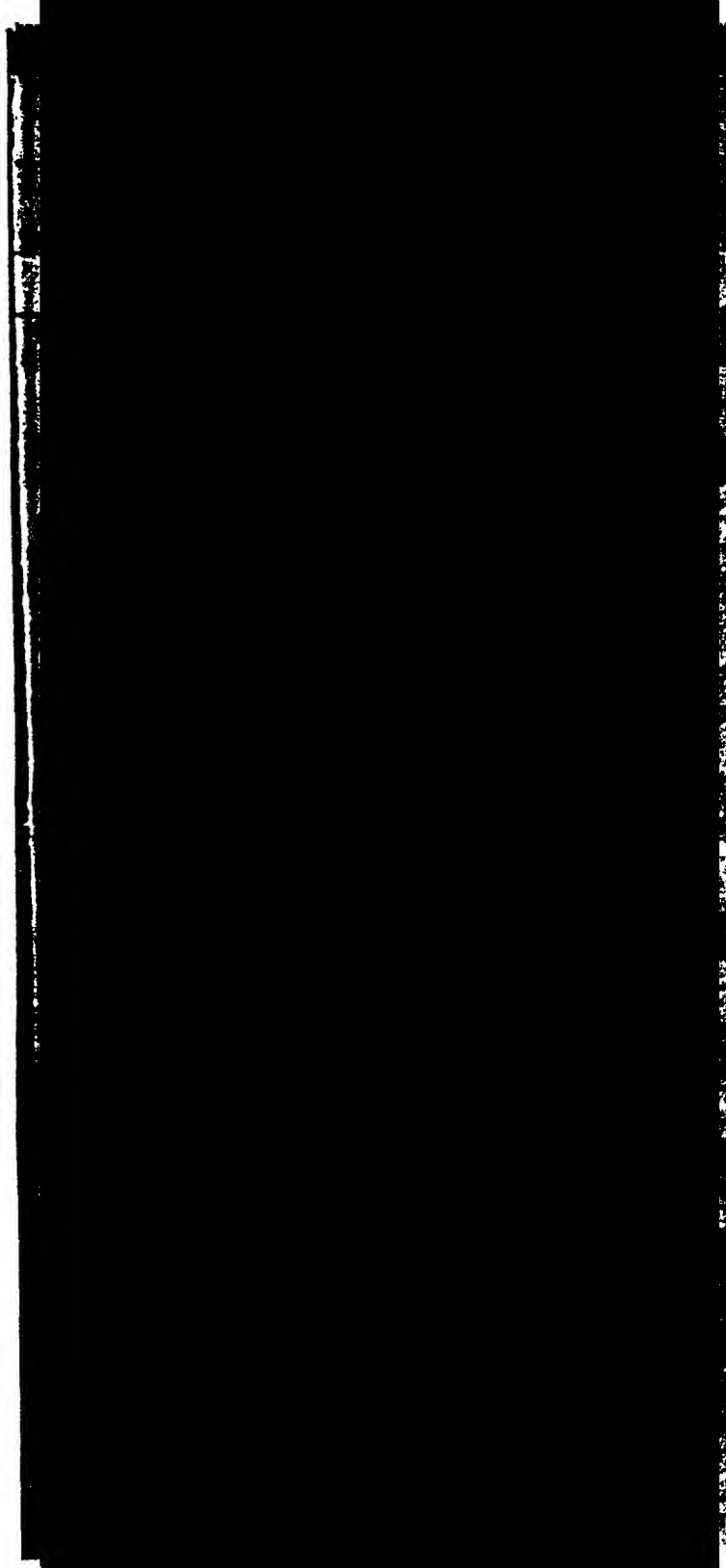
Source: Bob McGinness, Tri-State Area Council Telephone: [REDACTED]
Address: (Name and Title)
Huntington, W. VA.

The facts: Richard Aluise, SM, Troop 99, Lady of Fatima RC Church, to be arraigned today on multiple counts of sexual abuse. He just received Silver Beaver Award and his troop is largest and probably best in council. Strong committee. Strong parent support. He's been SM 15 years, is married, with kids in the troop. Allegedly involved with two boys, maybe three, on a total of 2 or 3 occasions (one at a time) while on troop camping trips. Kids are 12 and 13 years of age.

ACTION OR RECOMMENDATIONS: To follow Standards of Leadership action.
Ernst to call him in this regard. Counseled as to response to media.

Signed: Barclay Bollas
Ext: 2271

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SCOUTMASTER'S CERTIFICATION (SEE STATEMENT ON BACK) SIGNATURE *Richard Allen*

MEMBER ROSTER

BRTH	BOYS	LINE	DATE	LIFE	RANK	NO.	NAME	ADDRESS	CITY	STATE AND ZIP
0872	X	2	32				RICHARD A ALUISE JR	[REDACTED]	HUNTINGTON	WV 25701
0572	X	7	33				DAVID AMSBARY	[REDACTED]	HUNTINGTON	WV 25705
1268	X	1	6				KENNETH R BANNON	[REDACTED]	HUNTINGTON	WV 25701
0470	X	1	8				MICHAEL PETER BANNON	[REDACTED]	HUNTINGTON	WV 25701
1268	X	1	7				KEVIN D BANNON	[REDACTED]	HUNTINGTON	WV 25701
1270	X	1	29				TODD BEACIN	[REDACTED]	HUNTINGTON	WV 25701
0272	X	2	34				JOSHUA H BOOTH	[REDACTED]	HUNTINGTON	WV 25701
0569	X	5	9				WALTER HUNT BRYAN II	[REDACTED]	HUNTINGTON	WV 25701
0569	X	1	1				JAMES V BUTCHER	[REDACTED]	HUNTINGTON	WV 25701
01	X	2	26				WILLIAM E BUTCHER	[REDACTED]	HUNTINGTON	WV 25701
0469	X	1	10				JASON T CAMPBELL	[REDACTED]	HUNTINGTON	WV 25701
0370	X	5	2				DAN J COMETTO II	[REDACTED]	HUNTINGTON	WV 25705
0469	X	1	21				MATT DEBORD	[REDACTED]	HUNTINGTON	WV 25701
0467	X	5	30				MARK DEBORD	[REDACTED]	HUNTINGTON	WV 25701
0271	X	2	18				JOHN E DELPAPA	[REDACTED]	HUNTINGTON	WV 25704
0772	X	7	35				PAUL T FARRELL JR	[REDACTED]	HUNTINGTON	WV 25705
1269	X	1	21				ANDREW F GOODALL	[REDACTED]	HUNTINGTON	WV 25705